

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 11-19 are now present in this application.

Claims 1 and 11 have been amended, and claims 10 and 20 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy of the interview granted on January 12, 2005. During the interview, the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection was discussed. It was agreed that the foregoing amendments should overcome this rejection. In particular, claims 1 and 11 will be amended as set forth above and dependent claims 10 and 20 would be cancelled. The Examiner agreed that these changes should clarify the transmission roller recitation and address the drawing objection. As such, the application should be in condition for allowance. Again, the Examiner is thanked for the courtesy of the interview.

It is understood that the replacement sheets for Figs. 3 and 4 which were supplied with the prior Amendment of September 24, 2004 have been approved. The Examiner also objects to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a). This is because the measured line and notch on the transparent element are not shown. While such should be clear from the disclosure, dependent claims 10 and 20 reciting these features have simply been cancelled in order to expedite prosecution. As such, all drawing objections should now be overcome. Approval of all the drawings are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 stand rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1 and 11 have been amended to clarify the claimed subject matter. There is a transmission roller which is driven. Also, the support element is movable up and down, due to the paper reserves. One skilled in the art should appreciate how the transmission roller could be driven. This arrangement should be clear and the claims should particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the instant invention. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are respectfully requested.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that the Examiner considers claims 1-20 to contain allowable subject matter. Because all objections and rejections should now be overcome, it is respectfully submitted that this application should now be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

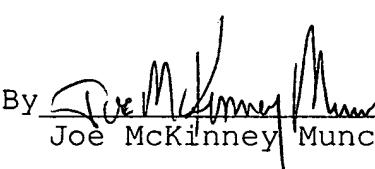
In the event the Examiner does not consider this application to be in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered for the purposes of Appeal. This Amendment should overcome the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection. Also, this Amendment should not present new issues since it merely clarifies previously recited subject matter. Nonetheless, it should be unnecessary to proceed to Appeal because the instant application should now be in condition for allowance.

In the event that any outstanding matters remain in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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